

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of  
HITOSHI MASUMURA ET AL  
Serial No.:

Atty. Docket

Filed: CONCURRENTLY

## Title: A DIELECTRIC CERAMIC COMPOSITE

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

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## **PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Sir:

Prior to calculation of the filing fee and examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

4. (Amended) A dielectric ceramic composite as claimed in claim 2, characterized in that the average of the grain sizes of the said  $\text{SiO}_2$ ,  $\text{CuO}$  and  $\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3$  is no more than 30 nm.

5. (Amended) An electronic device comprising the dielectric ceramic composite according to claim 1.

## REMARKS

The foregoing Preliminary Amendment to claims 4 and 5 was made solely to avoid filing the claims in the multiple